

## What You Need To Know

# About The Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) Food Service Ware Ordinance

### When

January 1, 2011

### What is being prohibited?

- Expanded Polystyrene (#6) food service ware commonly known as Styrofoam™
- Plates
- Cups
- Bowls
- Lids
- Trays
- Hinged Container (Clamshell Style)
- Lidded Containers

### Examples of what is being prohibited



### What are acceptable products?

- Compostable/ recyclable products
- Paper or other paper products
- Plant-based bio-plastic (PLA)
- Aluminum foil & trays

**Who is affected?** Any establishment, located within the City of Fremont which provides prepared food or beverages including:

- Supermarket
- Delicatessen
- Restaurant
- Retail Food Vendor
- Caterer
- Sales Outlet
- Shop
- Cafeteria
- Catering Truck
- Outdoor Vendor
- City Facility Users

### Why is the City implementing an Expanded Polystyrene ordinance?

- Expanded polystyrene is non-renewable, non-biodegradable, non-recyclable, and typically ends up in landfills or as litter in waterways
- Expanded polystyrene can break into pieces, which are often mistaken for food and ingested by wildlife

### What is the penalty for not complying?

- Verbal or written warnings will be at the discretion of the enforcement officer
- Violations may result in fines of up to \$500.00 per day.

### Where can I find the City's Ordinance and other related information?

- Visit [www.fremont.gov/environment](http://www.fremont.gov/environment) or call 510-494-4570



### Examples of Compostable and Recyclable Food Service Ware



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